1a. Define the terms *precipitation* and *solubility*.

Precipitation is the act of precipitating or forming a precipitate. A precipitate is an insoluble solid formed by the reaction of two or more solutions of soluble compounds.

Solubility is a measure of the extent to which a compound will dissolve in a given solvent. In most cases, we are interested in the solubility of a compound in water.

b. Write a chemical equation and a net ionic equation for a reaction which forms a precipitate.

Many different reactions can be used here. One example is $AgNO_3(aq) + NaCl(aq) \rightarrow AgCl(s) + NaNO_3(aq)$

$$\operatorname{Ag}^{+}(aq) + \operatorname{Cl}^{-}(aq) \rightarrow \operatorname{AgCl}(s)$$

c. Write the solubility equation for the precipitate formed above.

$$\operatorname{AgCl}(s) \rightarrow \operatorname{Ag^+}(aq) + \operatorname{Cl^-}(aq)$$

2a. Using the solubility table below predict whether the following compounds are soluble or insoluble in water.

Ion	<u>Solubility</u>	Exceptions
NO ₃ -	soluble	none
ClO ₄ -	soluble	none
Cl-	soluble	except Ag^+ , Hg_2^{2+} , $*Pb^{2+}$
I-	soluble	except Ag^+ , Hg_2^{2+} , Pb^{2+}
SO4 ²⁻	soluble	except Ca ²⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺ , Hg ²⁺ , Pb ²⁺ , Ag ⁺
CO ₃ ²⁻	insoluble	except Group IA and NH ₄ +
PO ₄ ³⁻	insoluble	except Group IA and NH ₄ ⁺
-OH	insoluble	except Group IA, *Ca ²⁺ , Ba ²⁺ , Sr ²⁺
S ²⁻	insoluble	except Group IA, IIA and NH ₄ +
Na ⁺	soluble	none
NH ₄ +	soluble	none
K+	soluble	none
		*slightly soluble

Soluble/Insoluble Insoluble

Soluble

Insoluble

Solubility Table

a) AgI

c) $Cu(OH)_2$

- 3. Complete and balance the following reactions. Identify all products phases as either (g)as, (l)iquid, (s)olid or (aq)ueous. If no reaction occurs, write NR.
 - a) $\operatorname{Na_2SO_4(aq)} + \operatorname{Ba(NO_3)_2(aq)} \rightarrow \operatorname{BaSO_4(s)} + \operatorname{2NaNO_3(aq)}$
 - b) $\operatorname{AgNO}_{3}(aq) + \operatorname{KCl}(aq) \rightarrow \operatorname{AgCl}(s) + \operatorname{KNO}_{3}(aq)$
 - c) $Fe(NO_3)_{3(aq)} + HCl(aq) \rightarrow NR$ (both products are soluble)
 - d) $2NH_4I(aq) + Pb(NO_3)_2(aq) \rightarrow PbI_2(s) + 2NH_4NO_3(aq)$
- 4. Write the equilibrium expression for the reaction described by the general solubility equation below,

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{n}}\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{m}}(s) & \rightarrow \mathbf{n}\mathbf{M}^{\mathbf{m}+}(aq) + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{X}^{\mathbf{n}-}(aq) \\ \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{sp}} &= [\mathbf{M}^{\mathbf{m}+}]^{\mathbf{n}}[\mathbf{X}^{\mathbf{n}-}]^{\mathbf{m}} \end{split}$$

5. Define the term *solubility product constant*.

The solubility product constant is a measure of the extent to which a compound will dissolve in water. Very small values of K_{sp} suggest the compound is insoluble in water.

6. Complete the following problem:

a. Calculate the K_{sp} for Bi(OH)₃ if 1.1 x 10⁻⁸ moles of Bi(OH)₃ dissolve in 1.0 liter of water to form a saturated solution.

The equilibrium reaction is

 $Bi(OH)_{3}(s) \stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow} Bi^{3+}(aq) + 3OH^{-}(aq)$

and the equilibrium expression is

$$K_{sp} = [Bi^{3+}][OH^{-}]^{3}$$

Set up the equilibrium table:

Therefore,

$$[Bi3+] = x = 1.1 x 10-8 M$$

[-OH] = 3x = 3(1.1 x 10⁻⁸ M) = 3.3 x 10⁻⁸ M
and
 $K_{sp} = [Bi3+][OH-]3 = (1.1 x 10-8)(3.3 x 10-8)3 = 4.0 x 10-31$

7. Complete the following problem:

a. Calculate the solubility of $BaSO_4$ in H_2O . $K_{sp} = 1.1 \times 10^{-10}$. Write the equilibrium equation $BaSO_A(s) \rightleftharpoons Ba^{2+}(aq) + SO_A^{2-}(aq)$ and the equilibrium expression $K_{\rm sp} = 1.1 \ge 10^{-10} = [{\rm Ba}^{2+}] [{\rm SO_4}^{2-}]$ Setup the equilibrium table: $BaSO_4(s) \rightleftharpoons Ba^{2+}(aq) + SO_4^{2-}(aq)$ - 0 0 - x x x - 0 + x 0 + xinitial change equilibrium Substituting in the K_{sp} expression $K_{sp} = 1.1 \ge 10^{-10} = [Ba^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}]$ $1.1 \ge 10^{-10} = (x)(x)$ $1 \ge 10^{-5} M = x$ The solubility of $BaSO_4$ is 1 x 10⁻⁵ moles/liter. Barium sulfate is not particularly soluble in water. Toxicity data indicates that Ba²⁺ is toxic at levels between 1 and 15 g (ingested). The solubility data shows that the amount of barium that might dissolve in 1 L of water is only 0.00137 g, a factor of over 700 less than the toxicity data indicate as hazardous. BaSO₄ is

commonly used in medical procedures because of its insolubility and opacities to X-rays.

8. Complete the following problem:

a. Calculate the solubility of BaSO₄ in 0.100 M Na₂SO₄. BaSO₄(s) \rightleftharpoons Ba²⁺(aq) + SO₄²⁻(aq)

and the equilibrium expression

 $K_{sp} = 1.1 \times 10^{-10} = [Ba^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}]$

Setup the equilibrium table:

Note the presence of 0.100 M Na₂SO₄. A solution of Na₂SO₄ contains Na⁺ ions and SO₄²⁻ ions. The SO₄²⁻ is a common ion as it appears in the solubility equilibrium for BaSO₄. Now setup the equilibrium table and remember that the SO₄²⁻ ion is present initially:

 $\begin{array}{cccccccc} BaSO_4(s) & \overrightarrow{\leftarrow} & Ba^{2+}(aq) + & SO_4^{2-}(aq) \\ \hline \text{initial} & - & 0 & 0.1 \\ \text{change} & - & x & x \\ \text{equilibrium} & - & 0+x & 0.1+x \end{array}$

Substituting in the K_{sp} expression,

$$K_{sp} = 1.1 \times 10^{-10} = [Ba^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}]$$

1.1 x 10⁻¹⁰ = (x)(0.1 + x)

We might become concerned here as it appears that the problems can only be solved using the quadratic equation. However, it is possible to consider the chemical implications of the mathematical relationship. 'x' is defined as the solubility of BaSO₄ in the solution. In pure water 'x' is 1×10^{-5} M, a very small number, certainly smaller than 0.100 M. So we would expect that 0.1 + x is approximately the same as 0.1. We are going to approximate the problem, to simplify the mathematics, by neglecting 'x' in 0.1 + x. We can not neglect the other 'x' as it is not compared to an initial concentration. Another piece of chemical intuition that we can invoke at this point is Le Chatelier's principle. The presence of the SO₄²⁻ in the solution will decrease the amount of BaSO₄ that will dissolve, making 'x' even smaller than 1 x 10⁻⁵ M.

1.1 x $10^{-10} = (x)(0.1)$ assume 0.1 + x = 0.11.1 x 10^{-9} M = x = solubility of BaSO₄

Now to be correct, we must check the calculated value of 'x' in our assumption to be sure that we are justified.

 $(0.1 + 1.1 \ge 10^{-9}) = 0.100$ We were justified in using the assumption to simplify the mathematics of the problem. We did not compromise the chemistry of the solubility equilibrium. 9. Complete the following problem;

a. A 50.0 mL sample of 0.0152 M Na_2SO_4 is added to 50.0 mL of 0.0125 M $Ca(NO_3)_2$. i) Should precipitation of CaSO₄ occur? $[Ca^{2+}] = 0.05 L \left(\frac{0.0125 \text{ mol}}{L}\right) \left(\frac{1}{0.1 L}\right) = 6.25 \text{ x } 10^{-3} \text{ M}$ $[SO_4^{2-}] = 0.05 L \left(\frac{0.0152 \text{ mol}}{L}\right) \left(\frac{1}{0.1 L}\right) = 7.60 \text{ x } 10^{-3} \text{ M}$ $Q = [Ca^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}] = (6.25 \times 10^{-3})(7.60 \times 10^{-3}) = 4.75 \times 10^{-5}$ $K_{sp} = 9.1 \times 10^{-6}$: therefore Q > K_{sp} and precipitation will occur ii) What % of the Ca^{2+} will precipitate? $\operatorname{Ca}^{2+}(aq) + \operatorname{SO}_4^{2-}(aq) \rightarrow \operatorname{CaSO}_4(s)$ 6.25 x 10⁻³ M 7.60 x 10⁻³ M initial \mathbf{K}_{ppt} is large for this reaction, so it will go to completion 1.35 x 10⁻³ M 0 final So now the problem is a common ion problem. What is the concentration of Ca²⁺ in the solution? CaSO4(s) \rightarrow Ca²⁺(aq)+ SO4²⁻(aq)initial01.35 x 10⁻³equilibriumx1.35 x 10⁻³ + x $K_{sp} = 9.1 \times 10^{-6} = [Ca^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}]$ 9.1 x $10^{-6} = [x][1.35 x 10^{-3} + x]$ Must solve the quadratic equation because the initial concentration of ${
m SO_4}^{2 ext{-}}$ is large compared to K_{sp} . When the quadratic equation is solved, $x = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} M = [Ca^{2+}]$ % Ca²⁺ remaining = $(2.4 \times 10^{-3} / 6.25 \times 10^{-3}) * 100 = 38 \%$

10a. Under what circumstances will the solubility of an ionic compound be dependent on the pH of the solution?

The solubility of a compound will be dependent on the pH, if the cation behaves as a weak acid or, and this is more likely, the anion acts as a weak base.

b. Give two examples of ionic compounds that are more soluble in acidic solutions than basic solutions.

Many examples are possible: CaCO₃ AgC₂H₃O₂

c. Give two examples of ionic compounds that are more soluble in basic solutions than acidic solutions.

Many examples are possible: NH₄Cl CH₃NH₃NO₃

- PS.1. Complete and balance the following reactions. Identify all products phases as either (g)as, (l)iquid, (s)olid or (aq)ueous. If no reaction occurs, write NR.
 - a) $\operatorname{Na_2CO_3(aq)} + \operatorname{Ca(NO_3)_2(aq)} \rightarrow \operatorname{CaCO_3(s)} + 2\operatorname{NaNO_3(aq)}$
 - b) $\operatorname{AgNO}_{3}(aq) + \operatorname{KBr}(aq) \rightarrow \operatorname{AgBr}(s) + \operatorname{KNO}_{3}(aq)$
 - c) $3NaOH(aq) + Al(NO_3)_3(aq) \rightarrow 3NaNO_3(aq) + Al(OH)_3(s)$
 - d) $(NH_4)_2S(aq) + Pb(NO_3)_2(aq) \rightarrow 2NH_4NO_3(aq) + PbS(s)$
- PS.2. Calculate K_{sp} for the following salts using the information provided.
 - a) The concentration of $CrO_4^{2-}(aq)$ in a saturated solution of Ag_2CrO_4 is 6.50 x 10^{-5} M.

$$K_{sp} = [Ag^+]^2 [CrO_4^{2-}] = (2x)^2(x)$$

Since x is given as 6.50 x 10⁻⁵ M, the solubility product constant can be calculated as;

$$K_{sp} = (2x)^2(x) = 4x^3 = 4(6.50 \times 10^{-5})^3 = 1.10 \times 10^{-12}$$

b) The solubility of AgBrO₃ in water is $7.2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ g/L}$.

The solubility of AgBrO₃ must be converted to $\frac{mol}{L}$, so

7.2 x 10⁻²
$$\frac{g}{L} \left(\frac{1 \mod AgBrO_3}{236 g} \right) = 3.05 x 10^{-4} M$$

AgBrO₃(s) $\stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow} Ag^+(aq) + BrO_3^-(aq)$
I - 0 0
C - +x +x x = solu. of AgBrO₃
E - x x x

 $K_{sp} = [Ag^+][BrO_3^-] = (x)(x)$ Since x is given as 3.05 x 10⁻⁴ M, the solubility product constant can be calculated as; $K_{sp} = (x)(x) = x^2 = (3.05 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 9.32 \times 10^{-8}$

c) A sample of a saturated solution of PbSO₄ contains .0262 g/L of Pb²⁺.

The solubility of PbSO₄ must be converted to $\frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}}$, so

 $0.0262 \frac{g Pb^{2+}}{1 L} \left(\frac{1 \mod Pb^{2+}}{207 g}\right) \left(\frac{1 \mod PbSO_4}{1 \mod Pb^{2+}}\right) = 1.26 \times 10^{-4} M$ $PbSO_4(s) \stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow} Pb^{2+}(aq) + SO_4^{2-}(aq)$ $I \qquad - \qquad 0 \qquad 0$ $C \qquad - \qquad +x \qquad +x x = solu. of PbSO_4$ $E \qquad - \qquad x \qquad x$

 $K_{sp} = [Pb^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}] = (x)(x)$

Since x is given as 1.26×10^{-4} M, the solubility product constant can be calculated as;

$$K_{sp} = (x)(x) = x^2 = (1.26 \times 10^{-4})^2 = 1.61 \times 10^{-8}$$

- PS.3. Calculate the solubility of the following compounds in water. (Use a table of solubility product constants in your text or some other reference book.)
 - a) BaCO₃

BaCO₃(s) $\stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow}$ Ba²⁺(aq) + CO₃²⁻(aq) I - 0 0 C - +x +x x = solubility of BaCO₃ E - x x K_{sp} = [Ba²⁺][CO₃²⁻] 5.1 x 10⁻⁹ = (x)(x) 5.1 x 10⁻⁹ = x² 7.1 x 10⁻⁵ M = x = solubility of BaCO₃

b) AuCl Solubility of AuCl is 4.47 x 10⁻⁷ M by the same method as used in a). AuCl₃ c) AuCl₃(s) $\stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow}$ Au³⁺(aq) + 3Cl⁻(aq) Ι 0 0 С +3x x = solubility of AuCl₃ +x E **3**x Х $K_{sp} = [Au^{3+}][Cl^{-}]^{3}$ $3.2 \times 10^{-25} = (x)(3x)^3$ $3.2 \ge 10^{-25} = 27 \ge 4$ $1.2 \ge 10^{-26} = x^4$ $3.3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M} = x = \text{solubility of AuCl}_3$ d) $Cu_3(PO_4)_2$ $\operatorname{Cu}_3(\operatorname{PO}_4)_2(s) \rightleftharpoons \operatorname{3Cu}^{2+}(aq) + 2\operatorname{PO}_4^{3-}(aq)$ Ι 0 0 С +3x +2x $x = solu. of Cu_3(PO_4)_2$ Е 3x - $2\mathbf{x}$ $K_{sp} = [Cu^{2+}]^3 [PO_4^{3-}]^2$ $1.3 \ge 10^{-37} = (3x)^3 (2x)^2$ $1.3 \ge 10^{-37} = 108 \ge^5$ $1.2 \ge 10^{-39} = 10^{-39} = 10^{-39}$ $1.6 \ge 10^{-8} \text{ M} = x = \text{solubility of } Cu_3(PO_4)_2$ PS.4. Calculate the solubility of;

a) BaCO₃ in 0.500 M Ba(NO₃)₂

$$0.500 \text{ M Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol Ba}^{2+}}{1 \text{ mol Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2}\right) = 0.500 \text{ M Ba}^{2+}$$

Notice Ba²⁺ is a common ion in this system.

 $BaCO_3(s) \stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow} Ba^{2+}(aq) + CO_3^{2-}(aq)$ Ι -0.5 0 С +x +x x = solubility of BaCO₃ Е -0.5 + xX $K_{sp} = [Ba^{2+}][CO_3^{2-}]$ $5.1 \ge 10^{-9} = (0.5 + x)(x)$ assume x <<< 0.5 5.1 x 10⁻⁹ = 0.5(x) $1.02 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M} = x = \text{solubility of BaCO}_3 \text{ in } 0.500 \text{ M Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$.

Notice the solubility of BaCO₃ is considerably smaller when a common ion is present.

b) $PbCl_2$ in 0.0250 M CaCl_2

 $0.0250 \text{ M CaCl}_2\left(\frac{2 \text{ mol Cl}^-}{1 \text{ mol CaCl}_2}\right) = 5.00 \text{ x } 10^{-2} \text{ M Cl}^-$

 PbCl₂(s) $\stackrel{\rightarrow}{\leftarrow}$ Pb^{2+(aq)} + 2Cl^{-(aq)}

 I
 0
 0.050

 C
 +x
 +2x
 x = solubility of PbCl₂

 E
 x
 0.05 + 2x

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{K}_{sp} &= [\mathrm{Pb}^{2+}][\mathrm{Cl}^{-}]^2\\ 1.6 \ x \ 10^{-5} &= (x)(0.05+2x)^2 \mathrm{assume} \ x <<< 0.05\\ 1.6 \ x \ 10^{-5} &= (x)(0.05)^2\\ 1.6 \ x \ 10^{-5} &= (x)(0.0025)\\ 6.4 \ x \ 10^{-3} \ \mathrm{M} &= x = \mathrm{solubility} \ \mathrm{of} \ \mathrm{PbCl}_2 \ \mathrm{in} \ 0.0250 \ \mathrm{M} \ \mathrm{CaCl}_2. \end{split}$$

This is on the same order of magnitude as the initial concentration of chloride, so the assumption is not justified. If one guesses a value of x and substitute into the equation,

 $1.6 \ge 10^{-5} = (x)(0.05 + 2x)^2$

and iterates the guess, the value of x which is obtained is 4.5×10^{-3} M. So the solubility of PbCl₂ in 0.0250 M CaCl₂ is 4.5×10^{-3} M.

c)
$$Cu_{3}(PO_{4})_{2}$$
 in 0.200 M $Cu(NO_{3})_{2}$
0.200 M $Cu(NO_{3})_{2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol } Cu^{2+}}{1 \text{ mol } Cu(NO_{3})_{2}}\right) = 0.200 \text{ M } Cu^{2+}$
 $Cu_{3}(PO_{4})_{2}(s) \rightleftharpoons 3Cu^{2+}(aq) + 2PO_{4}^{3-}(aq)$
I - 0.20 0
C - +3x +2x x = solu. of $Cu_{3}(PO_{4})_{2}$
E - 0.20 + 3x 2x

$$\begin{split} K_{sp} &= [Cu^{2+}]^3 [PO_4^{3-}]^2 \\ 1.3 \ge 10^{-37} &= (0.20 + 3 \ge)^3 (2 \ge)^2 \quad \text{assume } \le << 0.2 \\ 1.3 \ge 10^{-37} &= (0.20)^3 (2 \ge)^2 \\ 1.3 \ge 10^{-37} &= 8.0 \ge 10^{-3} (4 \ge^2) \\ 4.06 \ge 10^{-36} = \le^2 \\ 2.01 \ge 10^{-18} \text{ M} = = \text{solubility of } Cu_3 (PO_4)_2 \end{split}$$

PS29.10. A 45 mL sample of 0.015 M calcium chloride is added to 55 mL of 0.010 M sodium sulfate. Is a precipitate expected? Explain. (Your answer must include a calculation!)

When CaCl₂ and Na₂SO₄ are mixed, the following reaction will occur,

$$CaCl_2(aq) + Na_2SO_4(aq) \rightarrow CaSO_4(s) + 2NaCl(aq)$$

The only insoluble product is CaSO₄.

$$CaSO_{4}(s) \rightleftharpoons Ca^{2+}(aq) + SO_{4}^{2-}(aq)$$

 $K_{sp} = 9.1 \times 10^{-6} = [Ca^{2+}][SO_{4}^{2-}]$

If Q for the system is greater than $K_{sp}(CaSO_4)$ which is 9.1 x 10⁻⁶, a precipitate will form. To determine Q for the reaction, the [Ca²⁺] and the [SO₄^{2–}] in the solution must be calculated.

mol Ca²⁺ = 0.015 $\frac{\text{mol CaCl}_2}{\text{L}} \cdot 0.045 \text{ L} \left(\frac{1 \text{ mol Ca}^{2+}}{1 \text{ mol CaCl}_2}\right)$ mol Ca²⁺ = 6.75 x 10⁻⁴ mol Ca²⁺ in 45 mL

To determine the [Ca²⁺] in the mixture,

$$[Ca2+] = \frac{6.75 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol } Ca^{2+}}{0.100 \text{ L}} = 6.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ M } Ca^{2+}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} mol \ SO_4{}^{2-} = 0.010 \ \displaystyle \frac{mol \ Na_2SO_4}{L} \ \cdot \ 0.055 \ L \left(\displaystyle \frac{1 \ mol \ SO_4{}^{2-}}{1 \ mol \ Na_2SO_4} \right) \\ mol \ SO_4{}^{2-} = 5.5 \ x \ 10^{-4} \ mol \ SO_4{}^{2-} \ in \ 55 \ mL \\ To \ determine \ the \ [SO_4{}^{2-}] \ in \ the \ mixture, \end{array}$

$$[SO_4^{2-}] = \frac{5.5 \text{ x } 10^{-4} \text{ mol } SO_4^{2-}}{0.100 \text{ L}} = 5.5 \text{ x } 10^{-3} \text{ M } SO_4^{2-}$$
$$Q = [Ca^{2+}][SO_4^{2-}] = [6.75 \text{ x } 10^{-3}][5.5 \text{ x } 10^{-3}] = 3.7 \text{ x } 10^{-5}$$
$$3.7 \text{ x } 10^{-5} > 9.1 \text{ x } 10^{-6}$$

Q is greater than K_{sp}, so a precipitate of CaSO₄ will form.